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Consumer Care

Dear Sir or Ma'am,

I would like to protest the proposed leasing of drilling rights in the Hickory Creek area of Lake Lewisville in Texas.

There is no pressing need to lease these rights. Natural gas prices are at historic lows meaning that any lease auctioned in the current economic climate will likely not provide maximum revenue.

Although there is no definitive evidence linking fracking to earthquakes or ground water contamination, there are clear indications of possible connections. Additional research is in progress which could more clearly define the possible risks of drilling. I believe that (sans any real need for the development of this resource) the leasing of drilling rights should be postponed until additional research has been completed. This is especially appropriate given that Lake Lewisville is a damned reservoir used to provide drinking water for area residents.

Thank you for taking my input into consideration.

Sincerely,



April Carne